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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM OF DETECTING SIGNAL PRESENCE FROM A VIDEO  
SIGNAL PRESENTED ON A DIGITAL DISPLAY DEVICE

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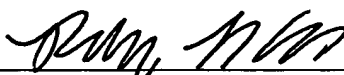
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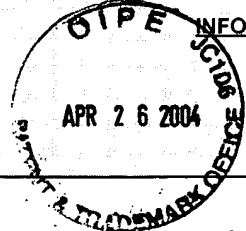
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